

Lewis Feild shut out, but retains lead

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — California bull rider Ted Nuce, the defending world champion, captured that event Wednesday night to pass \$100,000 in season earnings after seven rounds of the \$1.8 million National Finals Rodeo.

Nuce, who had been shut out in the finals until tying for second Tuesday night, won \$8,400 by scoring an 82 for an easy win after his eight-second ride.

Nuce, of Manteca, still trails Tuff Hedeman of Gainesville, Texas, by about \$10,000 with three sessions of the rodeo remaining. Hedeman tied for second in Wednesday's competition with three other bull riders.

Charles Sampson of Los Angeles also remained in competition for the bull riding championship by riding his seventh straight bull. Although he finished out of the money, Sampson became the only bull rider to finish all of his rides in the rodeo.

A near-capacity crowd watched the seventh of 10 sessions of the world's richest rodeo at the 16,500-seat Thomas and Mack Arena on the University of Nevada-Las Vegas campus. A total of 115 cowboys qualified for the finals, which ends the rodeo season and determines the champions in seven different events. Rod Lyman of Great Falls, Mont., became the leading money winner of the finals, running his earnings to \$28,350 with his third win in steer wrestling. Lyman put his steer to the ground in 4.0 seconds, a tenth of a second ahead of second-place finishers Butch Myers of Welda, Kan., and Tom Ferguson of Anthony, Fla.

Lewis Feild of Elk Ridge, Utah, was shut out in the bareback riding but tied with four others for third in the saddle bronc to retain his lead for the



Calf roper Cliff Williamson of Madden, Alberta scored an 8.1 in the seventh go-round of the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas.

offer common opponent record vs. Vikings (4-2 vs. 2-4).
CENTRAL DIVISION
 Chicago has clinched division title based on overall record. Chicago can clinch home field advantage throughout playoffs by winning two games and New York Giants loses one game.
 Minnesota can clinch wild card berth by winning two games and the Los Angeles Rams lose two games based on common opponent record (6-2 to 3-2), or if San Francisco wins one game based on overall record. Minnesota can also

132—Grandon Despain, PG, dec. Derek Campbell, 9-4;
 138—Cory Atkinson, PG dec. Tracy Sabey, 8-2; 145—Jeff Wade, W, dec. Brad Mills, 9-8; 155—Darren Henry, PG dec. Chris Patch, 10-4; 167—David Smith, W, pinned Russ Johnson, 4:41; 185—Jason Mair, W, pinned Willie Adams, 3:34; Hyv—Jason Tatum, PG, pinned Curt Steck, 1:50.

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Team. Virtanen and Salmi are
 from Finland, and Duncan is from
 Salt Lake City.



onship in the event.
 Deke Latham of Kaycee, Wyo., won the saddle bronc competition with a score of 77. Finishing second was Bud Munroe of Valley Mills, Texas, who used the performance to move into the overall lead for the world championship of the event.

to the win and were well down in the standings.
 Defending champions Clay O'Brien Cooper of Gilbert, Ariz., and Jake Barnes of Bloomfield, N.M., finished second. O'Brien and Cooper had won team roping each of the two previous sessions and lead for the overall championship of the event.

for second were Robin Burwash of Alberta, Can., and Marvin Garrett of Aladdin, Wyo.
 In team roping, Leo Woodbury of Nampa, Idaho and Craig Hamilton of Kingman, Ariz., pulled off an upset to win \$5,250 apiece. Woodbury and Hamilton had not won any money in the finals prior

boy. Feild has a comfortable lead over Jimmie Cooper of Monmouth, N.M., for the crown, given to the top money winner of all rodeo cowboys for the year.
 The barback was won by Chuck Logue of McKinney, Texas. Logue earned \$8,400, his first money of the rodeo, to push his season earnings to \$60,224. Tying

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